

Left realism in criminology: A social democratic variety of the "law and order" ideology

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The paper deals with the circumstances which gave rise to criminological "left realism". It highlights its difference from "right realism", "left idealism" and "administrative criminology". Special attention is devoted to endeavours to perceive and treat crime "seriously enough". In the concluding part, the paper presents the reactions of other critical criminologists to the British variety of "critical criminology", which could also be denoted as a social democratic (politically motivated) variety of the "law and order" ideology.

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